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For:

MOLECULAR CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS WITH STRUCTURES ALLOWING ELECTRON DISPLACEMENT AND CAPABLE OF EMITTING PHOTOLUMINESCENT RADIATION, AND PHOTOLUMINESCENCE

QUENCHING DEVICE EMPLOYING THE SAME

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites, describes, and provides copies of the following art references. Under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) however, copies of U.S. patent reference(s) are not provided.

FOREIGN PATENT REFERENCE(S):

 Japanese Patent Publication No. 03-075785 to Niimi et al., entitled METHOD FOR RESTORING FATIGUE OF ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC SENSITIVE BODY, published on 29 March 1991; and 12/19/2007 JADDO1 00000037 10727642

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Folio: P56987 Date: 12/18/07 I.D.: REB/ny 2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 04-240654 to Hanatani *et al.*, entitled *ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC SENSITIVE BODY*, published on 27 August 1992.

OTHER DOCUMENT:

• Office action from the Japanese Patent Office issued in Applicant's corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-007343 dated 13 November 2007.

DISCUSSION

As cited in the Office action issued by the Japanese Patent Office of on 13 November 2007 in applicant's corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-007343 corresponding to applicant's above-captioned U.S. Patent Application, **Niimi** *et al.* **JP'785** discloses that a good image can be obtained by incorporating in the photosensitive layer formed on the conductive substrate the compound represented by formula I or II in which Ar1 is an optionally substituted aromatic hydrocarbon or heterocyclic group; A is an optionally substituted N-substituted charbazolyl group or a group represented by formula III; R3 is H, alkyl, alkocy, aryloxy, dialkylamino, diarylamino, or halogen; each of R4 and R5 is optionally substituted alkyl or aryl; Ar is an aromatic hydrocarbon group or heterocyclic group; and (n) is an integer of 1 or 2.

Hanatani et al. JP'654 discloses that a photosensitive layer contg. a compd. represented by formula 1 is formed on an electrically conductive substrate. In formula 1, each of R1 and R2 is H, hydroxyl, nitro, cyano, etc., each of (n) and (m) is an integer of 1-3, R3 is H, alkyl, aralkyl, etc., each of Ar1 and Ar2 is aryl, alkyl, etc., Ar3 is H, alkyl, aryl, etc., and Ar4 is a specified group.

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The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other

or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging

and thorough search of the relevant art.

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